

BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 VIA THE ZOOM WEBINAR PLATFORM
PURSUANT TO GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20
DATED MARCH 17, 2020

Present: Dr. Stephen Foulkes
Mr. John Goepf
Mrs. Cathy Herrick
Ms. Sudie Smartt
Mr. Paul Zamoyta

Absent: None

Also Present: Dr. Mary Suzuki
Dr. Lisa Waner
Mrs. Linda Rosado
Ms. Lucinda Newton

President Herrick called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

President Herrick called for a motion to adopt the agenda for the meeting. Adoption of
Motion by Dr. Foulkes to adopt the agenda. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. Agenda
President Herrick called for the vote. Said motion as approved by the following M20-21-023
roll call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Goepf/Herrick/Smartt/Zamoyta
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Ms. Deborah Burton, President of B.V.E.A. thanked everyone for all the hard B.V.E.A.
work especially the District office. All the rules are changing every day and Comments
it is hard on teachers and administrators. Ms. Burton appreciates the District
Office for their support. President Herrick stated we appreciate everyone and
are so impressed how well everyone is doing and working hard. President
Herrick added she is very proud of the District.

All present participated in a Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. Waner presented the 2020-2021 Learning Continuity Plan (LCP).
Dr. Waner explained how this plan is different for this year. Next spring, we will go back to our three-year plan. The focus this year is not so much on the money rather how are we mitigating during COVID-19. This plan will be on the September 16th board agenda, hopefully, in final form with a recommendation to approve. Dr. Waner reviewed the one-year plan noting the seven areas: Stakeholder Engagement/In-Person Instructional Offerings/Distance Learning Program/Addressing Learning Loss/Mental Health and Social and Emotional Well-Being/Pupil and Family Engagement and Outreach/School Nutrition. All seven areas were reviewed by Dr. Waner in detail. Dr. Waner noted the District is doing everything it can to remove any barriers. Mr. Zamoyta asked why parents chose the virtual academy. Dr. Waner answered parents were concerned about the distance learning; they wanted consistency and flexibility. Dr. Waner reviewed the cost for the virtual academy and noted students receive the same Big Bear High School diploma from the virtual academy.

Cmty./Staff
Presentation

President Herrick opened the Hearing Section at 5:53 p.m. President Herrick noted no requests to make public comment were received. President Herrick closed the Hearing Section at 5:54 p.m.

Hearing
Section

President Herrick called for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar.
Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve the Consent Calendar as noted below:
Resolution Number 20-21-005 Annual Transfer of Funds for Employee Health and Welfare Benefits for Fiscal Year 2019-20
Resolution Number 20-21-006 Gann Limit for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and Projected Gann Limit for Fiscal Year 2020-2021
Declare Big Bear Middle School Books Obsolete
Purchase Order Report-FY 2020-2021 Purchase Orders Numbers 210181 through 210284 (Excluding 210202)
Governing Board Meeting Minutes August 19, 2020
Second by Mr. Goepp. President Herrick called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:
AYES: Foulkes/Goepp/Herrick/Smartt/Zamoyta
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Consent
Calendar
M20-21-024

No items were removed from the Consent Calendar.

Present Herrick reviewed the letter from San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools regarding the 2020-21 Adopted Budget. This item is provided for information only. President Herrick stated she is grateful for all the hard work Mrs. Rosado and her team put into this budget.

Information
Section

Dr. Suzuki presented information on the reopening of the schools noting she is preparing a waiver for elementary. Dr. Suzuki reviewed the waiver application and cohort guidance noting the small cohort guidance does not require a waiver; however, it is not in lieu of a waiver. It is the same 14 students per week and the same two adults per week. Dr. Suzuki is recommending we apply for a waiver for TK-5 with gradual implementation. Dr. Suzuki reviewed the groups and stakeholders who provided input noting if we decide to apply for a waiver, we will survey parents again with two questions. Dr. Suzuki reviewed the highlights from the parent survey noting the commonality across grades was the social/emotional impact of not being in school, this is challenging for families and students of all ages. Parent response showed that, overall, our program is significantly stronger and they appreciate the daily live lessons. Parents are concerned with additional workload after the full day of distance learning. Response on returning to school was mixed. Dr. Suzuki reviewed the teacher survey where it showed TK-K-1 was preferred or strongly preferred returning to class hybrid or daily in class for half day sessions. Grades 4-5 showed 35% yes or leaning toward yes, to return to school hybrid; 65% no or leaning toward no for returning to school hybrid. TK-5 as a group showed 50% preferring to return to the site for hybrid and 50% preferring to stay on distance learning. Dr. Suzuki reviewed modifications to the reopening plan for the TK-5 waiver application. Also reviewed was a proposed schedule of return for the hybrid model. The mandate from the State is students in grades 3-12 must wear masks. If students cannot wear masks; the distance should be closer to eight feet; we also have shields available. Also, mask breaks will be scheduled for the students. TK-2 is not mandated to wear masks; however, it is highly recommended. Dr. Suzuki reviewed the proposed timeline and the recommendations. Mr. Zamoyta asked what the turnaround time is for the waiver. Dr. Suzuki answered approximately two weeks. The Governing Board reached a consensus to apply for the elementary waiver.

Mr. Zamoyta spoke about This American Life podcast which was from the perspective of teachers going back to school. It was very interesting to hear what they are going through and their fears regarding students back in class for the first time.

Board
Member
Reports

President Herrick called for approval of the Administrative Report. Admin.
No nominations for CSBA Directors-at-Large, Asian/Pacific Islander and Report
Hispanic were offered. #20-21-003

President Herrick called for approval of the Curriculum/Instruction Report.
President Herrick opened the Public Hearing/Public Comment section Curriculum/
pursuant to Education Code Section 60119 – Pupil Textbook and Instructional Instruction
Materials compliance at 6:44 p.m. Having received no requests via email to Report
make public comment, President Herrick closed the Public Hearing/Public
Comment section at 6:45 p.m.

Motion by Dr. Foulkes to approve Resolution Number 20-21-007 Pupil Text- M20-21-025
book and Instructional Materials Compliance. Second by Mr. Goepp. President
Herrick called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll
call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Goepp/Herrick/Smartt/Zamoyta
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

President Herrick opened the Public Hearing/Public Comment Section on
the Learning Continuity Plan (LCP) at 6:45 p.m. Having received no requests
via email to make public comment, President Herrick closed the Public Hearing/
Public Comment section at 6:46 p.m.

President Herrick called for approval of the Business/Financial Report. Business/
It was noted Resolution Number 20-21-004 was previously approved at Financial
the August 5, 2020 board meeting. Following that approval, the District Report
was informed we needed to conduct a Public Hearing/Public Comment on #20-21-002
the Resolution prior to approval.
President Herrick opened the Public Hearing/Public Comment section on
the Interfund Temporary Borrowing Resolution Number 20-21-004 State
Budget at 6:46 p.m. Having received no requests via email to make public
comment, President Herrick closed the Public Hearing/Public Comment section
at 6:47 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Goepf to approve Resolution Number 20-21-004 Interfund Temporary Borrowing Per 2020-21 State Budget. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Herrick called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote: M20-21-026

AYES: Foulkes/Goepf/Herrick/Smartt/Zamoyta
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Mrs. Rosado presented the 2019-20 Unaudited Actuals Financial Statements acknowledging the hard work put into these statements by Mrs. Hoover. Mrs. Rosado highlighted areas that showed major changes on the 2019-20 Estimated Actuals to Unaudited Actuals as well as the 2019-20 Estimated Actuals to Unaudited Actuals non-recurring. Mrs. Rosado reviewed the 2019-20 Unaudited Actuals/Fund 25 in detail. The 2019-20 Unaudited Actuals of Other Funds was also reviewed. Mrs. Rosado reviewed the 2018-29 versus 2019-20 Unaudited Actuals year over year. Also reviewed was the 2018-19 – 2019-20 Unaudited Actuals non-recurring.

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve the 2019-20 Unaudited Actuals Financial Statements as presented. Second by Dr. Foulkes. President Herrick called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote: M20-21-027

AYES: Foulkes/Goepf/Herrick/Smartt/Zamoyta
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

President Herrick read the rational for the discussion of a potential donation of stadium improvements by the Bear Valley Education Foundation and retention of environmental consultant to study the project. During this discussion, a consensus was reached to give direction to Dr. Suzuki to move forward and retain a consultant. The Foundation would pay the bill to make it grant eligible. If the Foundation does not receive the grant, the District would pay. The grant needs to allow for the District to create a license with the Foundation. Dr. Suzuki will check with legal counsel to determine if the lead agency hires the consultant or if the Foundation can hire the consultant. A determination needs

to be made if the Foundation pays and does not receive the grant, can the District reimburse the Foundation for the money. The District also needs to be the owner of the report.

No suggestions were made for future meeting agendas.

President Herrick adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

Secretary

President of the Governing Board